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WILSON ON RUSSIA.

IN HIS peace terms address before congress Tuesday President Wilson declared, "The Russian representatives were sincere and in earnest." There is little doubt that the general opinion in this country is the same as the president's, and we may count the story of German gold backing Lenin and Trotsky has ceased its rounds and will shortly die quietly. Wilson's speech was a tremendous call to the Russians to stay with the allies where they belong. It was a solemn promise that the American democracy would not make peace at the expense of Russia, and it will go far toward offsetting the bad effect of Lloyd George's careless handling of the Russian middle. The story, fostered doubtless by pro-German agitators, that England hoped Germany would force a German peace on Russia so that the Teutons would be willing to make concessions in the west has been assiduously spread in Russia. George's glum prediction that nothing but German assiduousness awaited Russia was poor antidote. Wilson does not patronize the Russians, neither does he impugn their motives. "The Russian representatives (peace delegates) presented not only a perfectly definite statement of the principles upon which they would be willing to conclude peace, but also an equally definite program of the concrete application of these principles. * * * The Russian representatives have insisted, very wisely, very justly, and in the true spirit of democracy, that the conferences they have been holding with the Teutonic and Turkish statesmen should be held within open, not closed, doors, and all the world has been audience, as was desired," the president stated.

Again he says: "There is, moreover, a voice calling for these definitions of principle and of purpose which is, it seems to me, more thrilling and more compelling than any of the many moving voices with which the troubled air of the world is filled. It is the voice of the Russian people. They are prostrate and all but helpless and yet their soul is not subservient. They will not yield either in principle or in action. The conception of what is right, of what is humane and honorable for them to accept has been stated with a frankness, a largeness of view, a generosity of spirit and a universal human sympathy which must challenge the admiration of every friend of mankind; and they have refused to compound their ideals or desert others that they themselves may be safe."

That is sincere and eloquent and the Russians will recognize it as such. It will help tremendously to head off the anti-propaganda that is rife in Russia. It is interesting to note that the Ukrainian government, whose struggle against the Bolsheviks was heralded by many papers as a sign of Russia's returning sanity and desire to stay by the allies, is now ready to force peace negotiations and, if the Bolsheviks have returned to Brest-Litovsk it is probable that the demands of the Ukrainians are one of the causes.

VOICES OF NOTABLES TO BE PRESERVED.

RECORDS of the spoken words of President Wilson and other leaders of the United States and of her allies during the world war and future years are to be preserved to posterity through the agency of the talking machine, according to a recent announcement from New York. To that end Gay Bolterman, a St. Louis attorney, has brought about the organization of the Nation's Forum, a society which plans the formation of a library of indestructible steel records of speeches, sermons, lectures and business talks by eminent men that the sound of their voices may not be lost to future generations. Record stations are to be opened in New York, Chicago, one or two other American cities, London and Paris. It is proposed to send records of remarkable utterances to every corner of the country, and Mr. Bolterman announces he has made an arrangement with one of the large talking machine concerns to make a machine especially adapted to reproducing speeches. He was spurred on to the purpose, Mr. Bolterman states, by the thought of the great value that would have attached to the preservation of the spoken words of Washington, Lincoln and other great men of the world.

To allay discontent in the ranks of labor the British government has permitted the breweries to increase their output by 20 per cent. To save grain, sugar and glucose that our European allies may have food, or federal government has stopped the distillation of potable spirits and reduced the amount of foodstuffs American brewers can use. Our willingness to part with such foodstuffs enables England to make and drink more beer. The English "beverage" is too strong for the British government. Americans are willing to stint themselves that Englishmen may eat, but not that they may drink strong ale made of good American grain.

CLIPPED AND CREDITED.

"If the Bolsheviks succumb," says Trotsky, "anarchy threatens Russia." The drop would not be far.—Pittsburgh Post.

The Kaiser talking of a Christmas peace! Was he not with the infidel in his last stand to keep the Holy City from the Christians!—Pittsburgh Post.

"Sweets to the sweets!" exclaims the Houston Post. Not unless you want to have Mr. Hoover down on you.—Charleston News and Courier.

The Kaiser may be war mad, but the German people are putting up with and for him and will have to bear the consequences.—Pittsburgh Post.

If Senator LaFollette doesn't get into the limelight pretty soon he might appoint himself a committee of one to conduct the war.—Tacoma Ledger.

Trotsky-Braunstein says the Bolsheviks do not need German

money; they are printing all that they require. That shows what kind of a financier he is.—Albany Journal.

George Bernard Shaw isn't at all penurious in the matter of giving advice, but what we can't understand is, does he think anybody's going to take it.—Macon Telegraph.

A San Diego man has been at home washing the dishes and doing the housework while his wife has been serving on a jury. A hint of what New York state men may soon expect.—Rochester Democrat.

HONOLULU TO BE CLEANED UP BY THE MILITARY OFFICIALS

(By Associated Press.)

HONOLULU, T. H., Dec. 19.—(By mail)—Honolulu is to be cleaned up by the army, to make the city safe for soldiers.

Announcement to this effect was made yesterday by military authorities, who stated that the movement had the endorsement of Brigadier General John P. Wiser, commanding the Hawaiian department.

An officer from Schofield Barracks, whose name is withheld at his request in order that the offenders may not know whom to avoid, has been detailed for the work, and he asserted yesterday that the job was to be a thorough one.

Many soldiers are taken to the police station every night and booked by the provost guard for drunkenness. Where and how they obtain liquor, in the face of the laws and regulations prohibiting its sale to men in uniform, is one of the things that the army authorities propose to find out.

The drug traffic is another matter that, according to the officer detailed for the work of cleaning the city, is to receive particular attention.

The captain detailed for the work

said also that the military authorities intend to use every effort to detect and prosecute those persons who buy from the soldiers army clothing and equipment, the proceeds of which are sometimes spent for liquor or drugs, he says. He will also take measures strictly to enforce the law that prohibits civilians from wearing any part of the recognized uniform of a soldier.

This last announcement is causing considerable apprehension in Hawaii, as leather puttees are declared by army authorities to be included in the articles forbidden to be worn by civilians, and in this country virtually all plantation managers, foremen and other "bosses," as well as engineers and many other persons, habitually wear leather puttees and find them practically a necessity on account of the nature of the country and of their work.

Fears have been expressed that, on account of moral conditions, soldiers might be forbidden to visit Honolulu, as was done at Camp Lewis by General Greene, but the action of the military authorities in taking into their own hands the cleaning up of the city apparently obviates this danger.

U. S. CONSUL PAYS VISIT TO FRONT

(By Associated Press.)

ITALIAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN NORTHERN ITALY, Jan. 8.—(Tuesday)—Snow was falling along the mountain front and an intermittent enemy artillery fire was in progress during a visit which B. Harvey Carroll, Jr., American consul at Venice, just paid to the Asiago plateau on that front as a guest of the Italian general staff.

It was a difficult and dangerous climb up the slippery mountain heights to the summit of a hill 4000 feet high which Consul Carroll ascended. The enemy positions on Monte Mellette de Gallo and Monte Badeneche were seen to be heavily covered with snow, which extended down to the Frenzella valley, through which the Austrians are seeking to push their way to the plain. The consul visited the Bersaglieri brigade which had borne the brunt of the mountain fighting, finding the men well conditioned and rationed, in fine spirits and confident that they would be able to hold any further attempts of the enemy to advance. The American Red Cross had distributed mountain hoods among the Bersaglieri, who were warm in praise of the American action.

Nearly a foot of snow fell during Consul Carroll's visit and several officers predicted a three-foot fall, which they considered would bring the enemy to a complete halt. A weather report to the supreme command today shows a rise in temperature, with a minimum of thirty degrees Fahrenheit.

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PEACE IN 1918 IS WRITER'S PROPHECY

(By William A. Law, President First National Bank of Philadelphia.)

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The winter of 1918-19 will probably witness the conclusion of peace. By that time America will have mobilized against Germany its tremendous power of men and resources and convinced the German people of the solidarity and strength of America's attack. But wisdom approves providing for a much longer war. We shall win because of our higher morale; because we are ready to pay the cost in human lives and material possessions, whatever the amount; and because when once we get under way no group of desperate criminals can stop us, with right on our side.

Continued business activity seems likely during 1918, with an increasing volume of government contracts and a reduced production and distribution of luxuries and so-called "non-essentials." Enormous government expenditures will stimulate the purchasing power of the people generally, but difficulties of transportation will combine with shortage of labor supply in retarding production and distribution. The ending of the war will cause sharp readjustment in many lines, but will, of course, improve the situation as a whole and re-establish confidence.

The strongest element in this country's economic position is its normal production of all the prime necessities of life and of war. The chief danger is that production may be seriously decreased by shifting vast numbers of men from productive pursuits to military activities and failing to fill their places from the ranks of non-producers.

There will, of course, be steadily increasing war costs. Experience would indicate that taxes should not exceed, say, one-fifth of the annual cost, the government borrowing the remainder. Production must be maintained and industry must not be strangled by excessive taxation.

The goal of necessity will teach us economy. After the war we shall be more efficient manufacturers.

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more intelligent farmers, more skilful merchants, trading with the nations of the world and owning a great merchant marine. Some important by-products of the war will be our fleet of merchant ships, our thrifty habits, our increased respects in the eyes of the nations that are worth while, our production of many raw materials heretofore imported, our greater interest in the duties of citizenship.—From the Annual Financial Review of the New York Evening Post.

HAWAIIAN RAIL RULING.

(By Associated Press.)

HONOLULU, T. H., Dec. 19.—(By mail)—The public utilities commission of Hawaii is without jurisdiction to regulate the rates and charges of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation company, according to a decision handed down yesterday by the territorial supreme court.

This disposes, for the present, at least, of a case that has been before the commission and the courts for considerably more than a year. More than a year ago the Inter-Island announced a material increase in passenger and freight rates. As the Inter-Island does practically all the carrying business among the various islands of the group, this announcement affected the entire territory.

The public utilities commission took the ground that the steamship company had no right to raise rates without its permission, and began an investigation to determine whether or not the increases were justified. The navigation company submitted, under protest, at the same time as asserting that the commission was without jurisdiction in the matter.

The conclusions of the commission were that the raises were not just-

BAR ASSN. AGAINST DRY BILL.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Resolutions calling for the defeat in its present form of the proposed federal constitutional amendment establishing prohibition, on the ground that a provision in it giving both congress and the states power to enforce it would cause confusion, have been adopted at the annual meeting of the New York City Bar association. It is announced. The resolutions recommend the substitution by congress of a new measure free from this "element of conflicting jurisdiction."

FAVORS U. S. BUDGET.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—A joint resolution providing for appointment of a commission to report on a plan for a national budget system was introduced by Senator Kenyon and referred to the appropriations committee. Adoption of a budget system was recommended by President Wilson in his address at the opening of this session and the Iowa senator said if no report on the resolution was made he would ask to have the committee discharged and the resolution brought up for discussion on the floor.

LIGNITE MINES TO U. S.

MINOT, N. D., Jan. 10.—Lignite mines in the northwestern section of North Dakota were offered to the government during the period of the war at a meeting of operators representing the mines having a total output of 5,000 tons per day. The compensation is to be determined by Fuel Administrator Garfield.

He ordered the company to revert to the old rates.

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